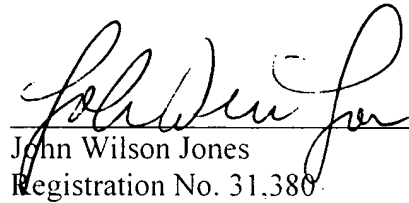## REMARKS

Support for the preceding amendment may be found in the Specification as filed at Page 4, lines 10-23; Page 4, lines 29-32; Page 6, lines 34-35 and Page 7, lines 1-2; Page 10, lines 1-9; Page 10, lines 23-31; Page 11, lines 4-15; Page 11, lines 30-36 and Page 12, lines 1-7; Page 12, lines 20-31; and in Figures 5-7.

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The "schema management" means here that database objects such as tables. indices, procedures, triggers etc. are amended. added or deleted. The "application configuration management" means here that application software and/or its configuration [parameters] parameters. security material such as keys and certificates as well as [and] other data and software needed to run the application, are amended, added or deleted. It also means here the management of software and data that is used for verifying consistency and validity of application programs and applications' data of the system.